

**May 17, 2006**

# **Montana Medicaid Notice**

## **Durable Medical Equipment**

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### **Coverage of Seat Lift Mechanisms**

**Effective June 1, 2006**

Montana Medicaid will no longer pay for the furniture associated with the use of a seat lift mechanism.

Medicaid will continue to pay for the seat lift mechanism only; use HCPCS codes E0172, E0627, E9628 and E0629 as applicable. In order to assure correct coding, providers are encouraged to refer to the current HCPCS coding manual. DMEPOS suppliers must obtain a written prescription in accordance with Administrative Rule of Montana (ARM) 37.86.1802. Suppliers should also maintain supporting documentation showing the client meets the Medicare coverage criteria, including the Certificate of Medical Necessity (CMS-849).

Providers may bill clients in accordance with (ARM) 37.85.406 (11) (a) for non-covered services for the furniture portion of a seat lift mechanism.

The Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver program will continue to provide coverage for the furniture portion of the chair as prior authorized by the case management team. Suppliers are responsible for working with the client and case management team for waiver clients. Clients are responsible for contacting their case managers.

### **Contact Information**

For Medicare criteria visit the CMS website: <http://www.cignamedicare.com/dmerc/>

For claims questions or additional information, contact Provider Relations or Fran O'Hara, DME Program Officer:

**Provider Relations toll-free in- and out-of-state: 1-800-624-3958**

**Helena: (406) 442-1837**

**Fran O'Hara, DME Program Officer: (406) 444-5296**

Visit the Provider Information website: <http://www.mtmedicaid.org>